

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Serial No.: 10/771,988
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Group Art Unit: 3637
Title: PHOTOGRAPHY SHOOTING TENT
Examiner: Janet M. Williams



DECLARATION OF LAWRENCE FARRELL
UNDER 37 CFR 1.132

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

I, Lawrence Farrell, hereby declare as follows:

1. My name is Lawrence Farrell.
2. I am a citizen of the United States.
3. I have more than 40 years of experience in the field of professional photographic lighting equipment.

4. I am presently the chief technical and marketing consultant of Photek Inc. and have acted in this position for over ten years.
5. I have read and understand the above identified Patent Application.
6. I am involved in marketing a product, on behalf of Photek Inc., that is currently called "Digital Lighthouse" which is shown and described in the present Patent Application.
7. Several years ago Photek, Inc., marketed photographic umbrellas that they believed to be fabricated from color corrected, nylon material. There were well over 1000 photographic umbrellas involved in this order which were believed would properly diffuse and reflect light for the intended photographic purposes. When these photographic umbrellas were used by the customers, Photek Inc. was immediately advised that there was reflected a condition of blue, which caused color distortion to the photographs. This resulted in all of the photographic umbrellas being returned and replaced with photographic umbrellas fabricated from color corrected nylon material which functioned properly to obtain clear photographs.
8. Based upon my experience with nylon material that was not color corrected, as outlined above in paragraph 7, I would not allow Digital Lighthouses to be shipped to customers of Photek Inc. with fabric panels that were not fabricated from color corrected nylon, as to do so would result in a substantial monetary loss associated with the return of the products.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like

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so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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